People Suffering from Diarrhoea and Malaria in Orissa

†2676. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the untimely deaths of people living in the Kalahandi, Bolangir and Koraput (KBK) districts of Orissa due to diarrhoea and malaria;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years:

(c) whether the main reasons behind such deaths is non-availability of primary health system in the KBK districts for which National Human Rights Commission has also expressed its concern in their report; and

(d) if so, the efforts made by Government to avoid untimely deaths caused by these diseases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) As per the information received from the State Government of Orissa, the details of deaths due to Diarrhoea and Malaria in KBK districts of Orissa during the period from 2003 to 2005 till date are at Statement (See below).

In 8 districts of KBK region, primary health care is operational in 80 Community Development Blocks through 80 block PHC/CHCs, 250 PHCs and 1386 sub-centres. In addition 90 mobile health units are functioning to render medical aid to the people in remote inaccessible areas. Adequate quantities of drugs, medicines and disinfectants are available in each health institution. Health education on use of safe drinking water, hygiene and sanitation is imparted.

Health is a State subject. Government of India supplements the efforts of State Government by implementing National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme for prevention and control vector-borne diseases including Malaria. Enhanced Malaria Control Project (EMCP) is being implemented in 7 districts, except Sonepur of KBK region. In addition Intensified Malaria Control Project (IMCP) is being implemented in 2 districts, namely Sonepur and Bolangir of the region.

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Statement

Deaths due to Diarrhoea and Malaria in KBK districts of Orissa State during the period from 2003 to 2005 till date

Year	Deaths due to Diarrhoea	Deaths due to Malaria
2003	175	75
2004	64	104
2005	93*	45#

**up to 25.11.2005 #*
Provisional till date

Ayurvedic Research Centres

†2677. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up research centers, keeping in view the demand of Ayurvedic medicines in the country and abroad;

(b) if so, the number and places where they are situated; and

(c) whether Government are planning to give more incentives to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) The Central Council for Research in Ayurveda and Siddha (CCRAS), set up by the Government of India for carrying out research & development in Ayurveda & Siddha systems of medicine, has 38 research Units/Institute across the country in addition to CCRAS (Hq.) at New Delhi. The list of research Units/Institutes is placed at statement (See below).

Apart from CCRAS, the National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur and Institute for Post-Graduate Teaching & Research in Ayurveda, Jamnagar are also carrying out research activities in Ayurveda along with Post-Graduate education.

(d) The Annual Grant-in-aid budget for these organization has been stepped up from time to time.

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